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SUMMARY

PhD candidate at Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research with three years of work experience at the World Bank. I am specializing on the intersection of the economic cost of climate change and adaptation.

HIGHER EDUCATION

Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) – Potsdam, Germany Since 02/2024
PhD in progress in Economics of Climate Change

London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) – School of Public Policy, London, UK 09/2018 – 07/2020
Master of Public Administration (MPA) Public and Economic Policy (Distinction)

Erasmus University – Erasmus University College, Rotterdam, the Netherlands 09/2014 – 08/2017
Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) Liberal Arts and Sciences, Major in Economics (Cum Laude)

WORKING PAPERS

Ziegler, K., Koch, N., Reckwitz, A. & Wenz, L., Temperature impacts on the economy: Searching for evidence of adaptation using causal forests.

Ziegler, K. & Wenz, L., Who bears the heat? Income-level differences in sub-national temperature damages.

Staal, L., Arky J., Liessem, L., Wells, B., Zarama Giedion, M., Wedemeyer, J., Ziegler, K., Wenz, L. Proxying production: a comparative assessment of global subnational GDP datasets using night-time lights.

NON-ACADEMIC RESEARCH AND POLICY BRIEFS

World Bank (2023). Tunisia Country Climate and Development Report (CCDR).

World Bank (2022). Egypt Country Climate and Development Report.

Gonzalez-Pampillón, N., Nunez-Chaim, G. & Ziegler, K. (2021). Recovering from the first Covid-19 lockdown: Economic impacts of the UK's Eat Out to Help Out scheme. *Center for Economic Performance Covid-19 analysis*.

What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth (2020). Local green investments.

Berkhout, E., Euwals, R. van Kempen, M., Meijerink, K. & Ziegler, K. (2018). The effects of globalisation in the Netherlands: a theoretical and empirical survey. *CPB Background Document*.

PRESENTATIONS

•World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE) in Lisbon, Portugal: *Temperature impacts on the economy: Searching for evidence of adaptation using causal forests*; 2026

•Paris School of Economic (PSE) PhD Seminar in Paris, France: *Temperature impacts on the economy: Searching for evidence of adaptation using causal forests*;

•Centre international de recherche sur l'environnement et le développement (CIRED) in Paris, France: *Temperature impacts on the economy: Searching for evidence of adaptation using causal forests*;

•Presentation to students of the LSE Climate Risk Modelling Society (CRMS);

•Presentation to Research Department 4 (complexity science) at PIK, Potsdam.

•French Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (FAERE) in Nantes, France: *Who bears the heat? Income-level differences in sub-national temperature damages*; 2025

•Princeton University in Princeton, United States: *Who bears the heat? Income-level differences in sub-national temperature damages*;

•Presentation at the Climate, Health, Law and Sound research event at the Technical University (TU) Berlin.

TEACHING

Technical University (TU) Berlin – Berlin, Germany

Teaching assistant for “Societal Impacts of Climate Change: Methods”

09/2025

WORK EXPERIENCE

World Bank – Washington D.C., United States

02/2022 – 12/2023

Analyst (Extended-Term Consultant (ETC)) on the cross-sectoral climate team in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)

World Bank – remote

07/2021 – 02/2022

Short-Term Consultant (STC) supporting the Program Leader of Sustainable Development in MENA

World Bank – remote

12/2020 – 06/2021

Short-Term Consultant supporting the education team in Europe and Central Asia

What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth – Department of Economics, LSE, London, UK

10/2019 – 12/2020

Research Assistant

Moody's Investor Service – London, UK

10/2019 – 06/2020

Capstone Consultant as part of the LSE MPA programme

London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) – Department of Economics, London, UK

10/2018 – 09/2019

Research Assistant for Dr. Jeremiah Dittmar

German Cooperation for International Cooperation (GIZ) – Eschborn, Germany

12/2017 – 04/2018

Monitoring & Evaluation Intern for the project “African Agricultural Value Chain Management”

CPB Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policies – Den Haag, the Netherlands

08/2017 – 11/2017

Research Intern for the Economic Research Institute of the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs

Goethe Institut – La Paz, Bolivia

06/2014 – 07/2014

Intern in the cultural department

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

PhD scholarship by Villigst Foundation

Since 02/2024

Master scholarship by German National Scholarship Foundation (Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes)

2018 – 2020

Bachelor scholarship by Holland Talent Scholarship for Exchange Students

2017

Erasmus Honours Programme

2015 – 2016

Dean's List, Erasmus University College

2015 – 2016

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages: German (native), English (fluent), Dutch (competent), French (competent), Spanish (intermediate)

IT: Proficient in R, Python, Stata, Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint; Intermediate in GitHub